

Please amend the abstract at page 38 as follows:

**ABSTRACT**

An image-forming apparatus is provided which primarily transfers a toner image onto an intermediate transfer member, and then secondarily transfers the toner image from the intermediate transfer member onto a transfer material, wherein a controller controls the process so that when the image forming apparatus stops, a toner image pattern  $\alpha$  formed on a non-image area of a photoconductive member is ~~preventing~~ prevented from causing image problems.